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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (Form PTO-2038) in the amount of \$920.00 for: \$790.00 for RCE Fee and \$130.00 for Petition Fee;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/30);
3. Petition to Withdraw from Issue Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) for Consideration of a Request for Continued Examination;
4. Petition Fee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17p);
5. Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
6. Form PTO/SB/08A (1 page), citing 16 documents (US1-US9 and FP1-FP7);
7. Form PTO/SB/08B (4 pages), citing 31 documents (NPL1-NPL31);
8. Copies of the cited documents (FP1-FP7 and NPL1-NPL31);
9. Ninth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
10. Form PTO/SB/08A (2 pages), citing 18 documents (US10-US16 and FP8-FP18);

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11. Form PTO/SB/08B (4 pages), citing 37 documents (NPL32-NPL68);
12. Copies of the cited documents (FP8-FP18 and NPL32-NPL68); and
13. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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